## What is claimed is:

- 1. A method for monitoring at least one sensor (1), an error pattern for monitoring being formed with the aid of at least one parameter, and the at least one parameter having at least one error message and/or at least one sensor signal and/or at least one status signal of a vehicle component.
- 2. The method as recited in Claim 1, wherein the sensor signals of at least two sensors are used.
- 3. The method as recited in Claim 1 or 2, wherein the at least one sensor (1) transmits the error pattern to a processor (7), the processor (7) evaluating the sensor signal of the sensor (1) as a function of the error pattern.
- 4. The method as recited in Claim 3, wherein the sensor signal is used for a restraint system (9).
- 5. The method as recited in Claim 3 or 4, wherein the sensor signal is supplied to a vehicle dynamics system or a navigation system.
- 6. Use of a control unit in a method as recited in one of Claims 1 through 5.
- 7. Use of a sensor in a method as recited in one of Claims 1 through 5.